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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, US, UN, SF, WA

SUBJECT: TALKS WITH SWAPO ON NAMIBIA

REF: USUN 2044 (BEING REPEATED TO CAPETOWN)

1. AFTER FURTHER CONSULTATION WITH CONTACT GROUP HERE, WE WISH TO ADJUST SCENARIO SUGGESTED REFTEL. WE ARE APPROACHING BEN GURIRAB TO EXTEND THROUGH HIM AN INVITATION TO THE SWAPO EXECUTIVE INCLUDING NUJOMA TO COME TO NEW YORK FOR THE TALKS ON JULY 11. ALTHOUGH IT IS NOT CLEAR WHETHER NUJOMA IN HIS CONFIDENTIAL

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LETTER INTENDED THAT GURIRAB WOULD BE THEIR SOLE NEGOTIATOR, OUR INTERESTS IN CONCLUSIVE AND SUCCESSFUL TALKS WITH THEM CONTINUE TO MAKE IT ESSENTIAL THAT WE ENGAGE NUJOMA AND HIS ESTABLISHMENT FACE TO FACE.

2. FOR LUSAKA: IN LIGHT OF NUJOMA'S LETTER TO YOUNG (REFTEL), YOU SHOULD INFORM SWAPO HEADQUARTERS THAT WE

ARE NOW ISSUING THE FORMAL INVITATION TO THE TALKS THROUHG BEN GURIRAB IN NEW YORK RATHER THAN THROUGH LUSAKA, AS WE HAD INTENDED. FYI ONLY: ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT YET WISH TO RESPOND TO SWAPO'S QUERY ABOUT FINANCING THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE TALKS, WE INTEND TO CONSULT WITH THE OTHER FOUR ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF THE FIVE SHARING THESE EXPENSES. END FYI.

3. FOR LIBREVILLE: BELIEVE YOU SHOULD TRY TO TALK WITH NUJOMA DURING THE COURSE OF THE OAU CONFERENCE, INFORMING HIM OF OUR SCENARIO.

4. FOR CAPETOWN AND THE DEPARTMENT: ONCE WE GET CONFIRM-ATION THAT SWAPO WILL ATTEND THE MEETING IN NEW YORK ON JULY 11, WE WILL CONSIDER INFORMING THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT ABOUT THE MEETING TO ENSURE THAT SWAPO REPRESENTATIVES FROM WITHIN NAMIBIA WILL BE ABLE FREELY TO ATTEND IF SWAPO DESIRES.

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